

# **Town of Embden**

## **Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons**

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**November 21, 2011**  
**7:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office**

**In attendance was:** Terriann Lamontagne, Wayne McLaughlin, Elizabeth Pratt, Charles Taylor, Wendy Witham, and Bonnie Baker.

- 1** Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 18:58.
- 2** The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3** **Consent Agenda:**
  - 3.1** Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated November 7, 2011. Accepted as written.(3-0)
  - 3.2** Reviewed Warrant #22 totaling \$135,147.10. (3-0)
- 4** **Appointments & Resignations:**
  - 4.1** **Community Center Committee:** Tabled until further notice.
- 5** **Department Officials Reports:**
  - 5.1** **E-911** – No Report.
  - 5.2** **Winter Roads Contractor** – No Report.
  - 5.3** **Animal Control** – No Report.
  - 5.4** **Board of Assessors** – T. Lamontagne said things were going well.
  - 5.5** **Planning Board** – No Report.
  - 5.6** **Plumbing Inspector** – No Report.
  - 5.7** **Board of Appeals** – No Report.
  - 5.8** **Code Enforcement Officer** – No Report.
  - 5.9** **Health Officer** – No Report.
  - 5.10** **Road Commissioner** – No Report.
  - 5.11** **M.S.A.D. #74** – No Report.
  - 5.12** **Recreational Director** –
    - 5.12.1** W. Witham stated there would be a sign-up for Shi Club December 1<sup>st</sup> 18:00 at the Community Center. She said they might do some cross-country skiing and snowshoeing during school vacation and on early release days at the high school. She added that she would meet with Larry Dunphy tomorrow.
    - 5.12.2** She said there would probably be a grade 1-2 basketball team, however there were not enough kids to have a grade 3-5 team. She stated she would see what was available in January and February. She said she would approach Tanya Carey to coach. She said that the Town of Solon was buying lowered baskets to attach. She stated that she was interested in having tournaments at the Community Center, but would need access to lowered baskets to do so. Discussion continued.
    - 5.12.3** She asked who had requested the gym for a 6<sup>th</sup> grade team. She stated that she had spoken with Jerry, the coach, and he had told her that it was all fine. C. Taylor replied that Joe Creamer had been asking about a team, and added that the BOS just didn't want to see anyone left out. W. Witham said that the Embden Rec. would support the grade 5-6 travel teams. She added that she did not feel it was fair to pull kids out of their school teams.
    - 5.12.4** W. McLaughlin asked if she knew who was responsible for the float in the pond. W. Witham replied that they had not known it belonged to the town. She added that Jack Stephens had brought it in this year. She said next year the fish hatchery had offered to let her store the swim program stuff over there.
    - 5.12.5** W. McLaughlin asked who belonged to the basketballs and stuff at the Community Center. W. Witham replied that they were Rec. stuff, but that she figured if they were kept at the Community Center, more people would get use out of them.
- 5.13** **Town Clerk/Treasurer** –
  - 5.13.1** B. Baker submitted the Treasurer's Report.
  - 5.13.2** She submitted the Treasurer's Report of Outstanding (Liened) Taxes. She stated she had mailed out 52 reminder notices for 2010 and older tax amounts.
  - 5.13.3** She submitted the Check Reconciliation Report. Selectpersons reviewed and signed.
  - 5.13.4** B. Baker submitted an Expense Summary.
  - 5.13.5** She stated she had mailed about half of the dog reminder postcards out, but had to order more. She stated those would go out next week.
- 5.14** **Tax Collector:** No Report.
- 5.15** **Withdrawal from MSAD#74 Fact Finding Group** – W. McLaughlin said they hadn't done anything.
- 5.16** **Community Center** –
  - 5.16.1** W. McLaughlin stated they had held a craft fair, but didn't have any monetary figures. He added there was a show Saturday night.

**5.16.2** W. McLaughlin said the Thrift Store had brought in over \$300 that week, plus the turkey dinner with the raffle had raised over \$1,000. He said it was “picking up over there,” and doing better all the time.

**5.16.3** C. Taylor stated he had come to the Community Club meeting the other day. He asked why the Community Club needed to be a separate entity, and what they would not be able to do under the town that they could do separately. W. McLaughlin responded that one of the issues was paying people. E. Pratt stated, “If my treasurer cannot sit down over there and write a check when she needs to, then we are not free!” Discussion continued.

**5.16.4** Next meeting November 30, 2011.

**5.17 Emergency Management Directors – No Report**

**6 Board of Selectpersons Concerns:**

**6.1** C. Taylor stated he had emailed K. Lexier and the Roosevelt issue was being pursued from there.

**6.2** E. Pratt said the flagpole light had not worked for about a week. C. Taylor stated he would see if P. Hillenski was interested in guaranteeing his work, and if not then they would find another contractor.

**6.3** W. McLaughlin stated they needed to get in touch with the people interested in plowing the Community Center. He asked whether they would be using town sand. Discussion continued.

**7 Old Business:**

**7.1 Town of Embden Policies:** None

**8 New Business: None.**

**9 Correspondence:** None.

**10 Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum:**

**10.1 Open Public Forum:** None.

**11 Executive Session (Non-Public)(ME§405)**

**12 Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment**

**12.1** Next Regular Selectperson’s Meeting – Monday, December 5, 2011.

**12.2** C. Taylor stated the BOS would have a work session tomorrow night, as well as one on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 18:00.

**12.3** Motion to adjourn made by E. Pratt (2<sup>nd</sup> - W. McLaughlin). Adjourned 20:26 (3-0).

*Minutes submitted by:  
Bonnie A. Baker*